

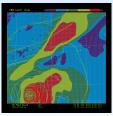
Status and Outlook of Taiwan Hot-Start Forecast System

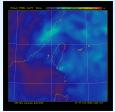
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- CWB collaborate with GSD/ESRL/NOAA to develop CWB-LAPS for very short range forecast since 2002.
- Goal: Using the model outputs as the objective guidance to forecast the short-lived severe weather systems in Taiwan area.

1. Application of LAPS and STMAS

At CWB, LAPS and STMAS update every hour with the latest local observations. The outputs from LAPS and STMAS are applied to the real-time weather analysis and forecast.

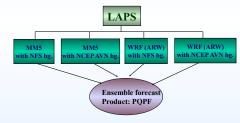




·LAPS analysis

•STMAS analysis

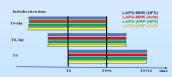
2. Operational products of LAPS forecast system



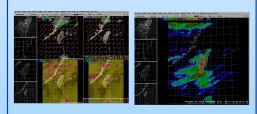
- 1. Deterministic forecast:
- LAPS-MM5(CWB NFS), LAPS-MM5(NCEP AVN), LAPS-WRF(CWB NFS), and LAPS-WRF(NCEP AVN)
- Horizontal resolution: 9 km
- Forecast time: 00, 03, 06, 09, 12, 15, 18, 21 UTC
- Forecast lengths: 12 hours

2. Ensemble forecast product:

PQPF(Probability Quantitative Precipitation Forecast) of LAPS forecast system is generated based on the time-lagged multi-model ensemble forecast which is composed of the latest 3 runs of the 4 model outputs (12 members).



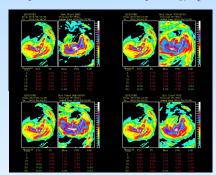
3. The deterministic model forecasts and PQPF are real-time displayed on CWB WINS.

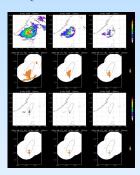


3. Real-time verification, statistical verification and PQPF calibration

(1) Rreal-time verification products

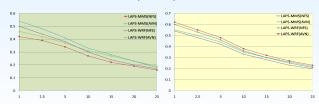
a. QPF of each model vs. radar QPE b. PQPF vs. radar QPE at different thresholds





(2) Statistical verification products

TS of 6-h precipitation of each models for the Mei-yu cases(left) and typhoon cases(right) in 2009 at different rainfall threshold (unit: mm)

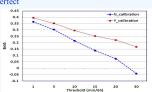


(3) PQPF calibration

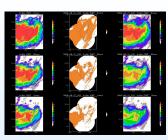
- Linear regression method is adopted to calibrate POPF.
- Brier skill score (BrSS):

$$BrSS = 1 - \frac{BrS}{BrSc}$$

BrSc: referenced Brier score BrSc = $O_{mw}(1-O_{mw})$ O_{mw} : sample climatology frequency range: $-\infty \sim 1$; BrSS > 0: skillful; BrSS = 1: perfect



•Brier skill score (BrSS) of 0-6h PQPF for the typhoon cases of 2009 ° Blue line: BrSS without calibration; red line: BrSS with calibration



 Left column: PQPF without calibration; middle column: Radar QPE; Right column: PQPF with calibration for 0300UTC 21th June 2009 (Typhoon Linfa)

4. CWB LAPS webpage

All real-time analyses, forecasts and verification products of LAPS are available on CWB webpage.

- Analysis products: LAPS and STMAS
- Forecast products:
- LAPS-MM5(CWB NFS), LAPS-MM5(NCEP AVN), LAPS-WRF(CWB-NFS) and LAPS-WRF(NCEP-AVN)
- Verification products:
- Model rainfall forecasts vs. Radar QPE



5. Future work

STMAS will connect with MM5 and WRF as LAPS. In this way, there will be 4 new members in LAPS forecast system.



The PQPF generated from the 8 multimodels will be more referable for operational weather forecast.